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AMEMBASSY VIENNA

SUBJECT: SOVIET IMMIGRATION TO ISRAEL

- 1. JEWISH AGENCY SOURCE OCT 24 TOLD EMBOFF THAT COMPLETE CENSOR-SHIP IMPOSED SINCE BEGINNING OF WAR ON ALL ACTIVITIES RELATING TO SOVIET IMMIGRATION. SEVERAL US CORRESPONDENTS, HE CLAIMED, HAVE EVADED CENSORSHIP BY MAILING MATERIAL. GOI CENSORSHIP DECISION MADE TO AVOID ANY PUBLICITY WHICH MIGHT CAUSE USSR TO HALT FLOW OF IMMIGRANTS TO ISRAEL.
- 2. SINCE WAR BEGAN, ACCORDING TO SOURCE, IMMIGRATION FROM USSR HAS CONTINUED AT ROUGHLY SAME LEVEL AS PRE-WAR, AVERAG-ING ABOUT 150 PER DAY VIA USUAL ROUTES. RE AUTSTRIA ROUTE, IMMIGRANTS KEPT IN SCHOENAU DAY OR TWO AT MOST, WITH MIMIMUM PROCESSING IN VIENNA-- MAINLY INSURANCE DOCUMENTATION ON HOUSEHOLD GOODS.
- 3. MAJOR PROBLEM CAUSED BY WAR IS HOUSING. WITH VIRTUAL CESSATION HOUSING CONSTRUCTION SINCE WAR BEGAN, NEW APARTMENTS NOT AVAILABLE. JEWISH AGENCY ACCELERATING EFFORTS TO RENT APARTMENTS AND HOTEL SPACE, AND MAY HAVE TO KEEP IMMI-CONFIDENTIAL

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